

§ 143B-1472. Medication losses related to inmate transfer.

(a) The Health Services Division shall collect data on medication losses that occur during inmate transfer. The collection methods shall provide, at a minimum, for all of the following:

- (1) A mechanism to easily summarize medication losses across all identified reasons for the loss.
- (2) Information on the prison from which an inmate was transferred.
- (3) Identification of custody officials involved in the transfer.

(b) The Department shall develop internal controls related to the oversight of medications lost during inmate transfers based on the data collected under subsection (a) of this section. In addition, the Department's Internal Audit unit shall establish an internal oversight function to investigate any medication losses valued at greater than two hundred dollars (\$200.00).

(c) The Department shall also establish disciplinary actions for staff who are found to be responsible for inmate medication losses during transfer. The Health Services Division shall be responsible for addressing disciplinary actions for Health Services prison staff who are found to be responsible for medications lost during inmate transfers and shall refer incidents involving custody staff to the appropriate unit for action. (2018-143, s. 3(a); recodified from N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143B-707.6 by 2021-180, s. 19C.9(i), (m); 2021-189, s. 5.1(i).)